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SUBJ: PFEL INTEREST CRUISE SHIP VISIT TO CHINA

REF: HONG KONG 850

AS FOOTNOTE TO REFTTEL, CONGEN ASKED MORTSON, LOCAL
MANAGING DIRECTOR OF PACIFIC FAR EAST LINE (PFEL),
IF PFEL HEADQUARTERS HAD CONSIDERED UNRESOLVED PRIVATE
CLAIMS ISSUE BEFORE DECIDING TO APPROACH CHINESE FOR
VESSEL CALL AT CHINESE PORT. MORTSON SAID SAN FRAN-
CISCO HEADQUARTERS HAD LOOKED AT THIS, AND DECIDED
THAT IT WAS UNLIKELY THAT PRC, SHOULD IT GIVE PER-
MISSION FOR VESSEL CALL, WOULD REVOKE IT OR TAKE OTHER
PUNITIVE ACTION IN EVENT THAT A US CITIZEN WAS ABLE
TO INVOKE COURT ACTION AGAINST PRC PROPERTY ON THIS
ISSUE BEFORE, OR DURING, SUCH VESSEL CALL.

COMMENT: FROM HERE, THIS PFEL POSITION SEEMS
REASONABLE AND, AS MORTSON HAS SUGGESTED, PRC MORE
LIKELY TO GIVE ASSENT TO HONG KONG/CANTON PACKAGE THAN
TO DIRECT CALL.

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